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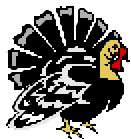
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady to instances firm. Light trading was reported on packer label hens and toms for prompt shipments and moderate volume of hens and toms for deferred shipment. Price ceilings for deferred shipments; June hens 68 cents, toms 66 cents; July hens and toms 70 cents; August hens and toms 72 cents. Demand was light for immediate shipments and moderate to good for deferred sales. Offerings held with confidence. Parts and meats trading was light. Supplies are mixed ranging from adequate to short of needs.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was light and centered on frozen thigh meat, balance slow. Demand was moderate. Offerings were short to available.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	105-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-116
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	98-120
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	98-122

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	64-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	69-74
BREASTS 10-12#	135-140
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66-71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	64-69
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	64-74

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-66.5	66.5	66.50	560
WESTERN REGION 5/	65-67	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	64-66	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	63-66.5	66.5	66.50	600
WESTERN REGION	64-66	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-
3600	JUN-AUG
-	-
-	-
2800	JUN-AUG
-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 18 APRIL 2005.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was mostly steady with continued unsettledness noted. Demand light to moderate with seasonal improvement expected on further processed product, but not readily apparent yet. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat mixed ranging from light to fully adequate with some buyers noting increased offerings from multiple sellers while some sellers hold inventories with confidence and sell at premiums. The market tone on breast trim, destrapped tenderloins and frozen tom breast meat was steady to fully steady; balance of white meat steady at best. Demand moderate on destrapped tenderloins, light on scapula, very light to light on wing meat with skin. Offerings of frozen scapula and wing meat with skin adequate to fully adequate, balance light. Trading centered on a moderate volume of fresh tom breast meat, balance slow. For export: fresh thigh meat 92 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	100.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		F	145.00	22
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	40.99	127
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	42.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	27.00		27.00	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	44.60	229
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	76.32	95
NECKS, TOM		F	23.89	94
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	170.86	42
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	168.00-178.00		170.36	440
THIGH MEAT		F	88.24	38
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	93.00		93.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	139.00		139.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT		W	103.50	80
TENDERLOINS		F	149.40	100
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	152.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	170.00	24
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	87.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	28.00		28.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	43.00	156
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	26.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	40.00	54
TAILS		F	26.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	33.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	88.00		88.00	160

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.